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Solar Heat Project Nears Completion

A fuel oil savings of as much as 50 percent is expected to be demonstrated during this winter by the solar energy research project soon to be completed at the four-unit building at 2 A-D Southway. The project is part of a joint effort between Greenbelt Homes, Inc. and Goddard Space Flight Center (NASA) and was undertaken as part of the federal government's efforts to research and demonstrate ways to conserve energy.

"We suggested the use of this cooperative community as a solar energy research project by Goddard on a mutually beneficial basis," said GHI president, Dr. James W. Smith.

"The rising cost of heating fuel which must be passed on to our residents poses hardships for many of them who live in fixed incomes," he added.

Goddard Expertise

As a major NASA research center, Goddard has developed an expertise in the design of thermal control systems for satellites which must maintain stable temperatures for successful operation in space.

"By putting this expertise to work, we can help show a community the way to conserve heating fuel and to cut down on costs. At the same time, we will gain further, vital experience and data on thermal control," said Emil Hymowitz, Goddard's manager for the project.

Greenbelt is considered ideal for this project because it uses hot water heat and so many of its buildings are identical. These factors have simplified the development of the solar heating system which is designed to work in conjunction with the existing variable temperature hot water heating system.

No single home would benefit from any windfall savings due to the research project. These would be evenly distributed throughout the cooperative community since each member pays an equitable portion of the total heating bill for the community.

Mechanics

For this project, the flat-roofed research structure has been insulated; instrumented for oil consumption, water usage, and temperature data; and equipped with solar energy collectors mounted at pitched angles on the roof. Each collector consists of a glass-covered metal container which houses a network of small water pipes affixed to a metal heat absorber. All of the solar collectors are coupled to an insulated hot water storage tank beneath the building.

In operation, water is pumped to the roof where it is heated when

WHAT GOES ON

Fri., Dec. 5, 7-10 p.m. 4th Annual Christmas Craft Show and Sale, Youth Center.

Sat. & Sun., Dec. 6 & 7, 1-5 p.m. Christmas Craft Show and Sale, Youth Center

Sun., Dec. 7, 3:30 p.m. "Christmas Concert, St. Hugh's Church

8 p.m. "Amahl and the Night Visitors", Center School

Mon., Dec. 8, 8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Building

Tues., Dec. 9, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Adult Toy Exchange, Greenbelt CARES, 22 Ridge.

7 p.m. Mary Bethune PTSA

Wed., Dec. 10, 8 p.m. Meeting on FDR School, Youth Center 8:15 p.m. PRAB Monthly Meeting, Greenbelt Junior High.

flowing through the solar collectors. From there, the heated water drains into the storage tank and is subsequently pumped into the building's existing hot water heating system when needed, day or night. Consequently, the structure's oil furnace will require fewer "burns" to heat the structure.

For comparison purposes, an uninsulated flat-roofed building without a solar collector but otherwise similar to the research structure has been instrumented to collect oil consumption, water usage, and temperature data during the upcoming winter. Two similar pitched-roof structures, one with insulation and one without, also have been instrumented for the winter test. (See photo on page 4).

Two Retire From GHI Staff

William Dobbin and Ernest De Gagne recently retired, along with Raymond Bladen from the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. staff and were honored at a recent retirement dinner (see story about Bladen in Oct. 30 issue).

Bill Dobbin, GHI electrician for 15 years, says "I'd still be working if I hadn't torn up my arm so badly in 1969." Now in his 66th year, Dobbin claims "I don't feel any older than 45. I can still run up the stairs two at a time!"

Dobbin misses his work. He drove by early one morning and saw the men standing around drinking coffee before work. By contrast, life around the house, he says, can get a little boring. Running the vacuum cleaner is a comedown from his truck — his shop on wheels. What Dobbin would like most now is to replace that shop. "Many people know me and ask if I will take a look at their floor lamp that doesn't work. So what I need is a small shop where I could keep my hand in, keep busy."

Dobbin and his wife, Shirley, who is recuperating at home after recent surgery, have raised five children in Greenbelt. The oldest, Mary, will be coming home for Thanksgiving, bringing husband and daughter Amy. Bill, Jr., living on Laurel Hill, was seen with his wife at the Hallowe'en Parade with their "angel" Joey and their "devil" Jamey. The youngest three are still at home: Patrick has worked his way through four years of business administration at the University of Maryland; John 18, is a heating apprentice with GHI; and Theresa is a junior at Parkdale.

De Gagne, a quiet and industrious man, was chief painter at GHI, but was handy at other things, too. According to Dobbin, De Gagne could climb to the top of the GDC apartments to put in a new window, which must be done from the outside, probably the highest ladder work that had to be done.

De Gagne had to have an operation on each of his eyes because of glaucoma. He and his wife have retired to Pennsylvania where Mrs. De Gagne owns some property. Their friends and neighbors were sorry to see them leave.

AGENDA REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

Monday

December 8, 1975

8:00 P.M.

I. ORGANIZATION

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Meditation
- Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
4. Minutes of Regular Meeting, November 17, 1975
5. Additions to Agenda by Councilmen and Manager

II. COMMUNICATIONS

6. Petitions and Requests
7. Administrative Reports
8. Committee Reports

III. OLD BUSINESS

9. Resolution for the City to Proceed with the Undertaking of a Housing for the Elderly Project - Second Reading
10. Bicentennial Committee Report - Request for Funds
11. Appointments to Boards

IV. NEW BUSINESS

12. Charter Amendment Resolution of the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, Enlarging the Corporate Boundaries of the City of Greenbelt by Annexing Land Contiguous and Adjoining the Existing Corporate Area - First Reading
13. An Ordinance to Appropriately \$2,500 in the Replacement Fund for the Purchase of a Static Roller - First Reading

14. Deed of Transfer - 2 Acres, Agricultural Research Center
15. Memorandum from the City Solicitor and City Manager Concerning a Police Review Board

16. Franklin D. Roosevelt High School
17. Meetings

V. MISCELLANEOUS

BETHUNE PTSA

Mary Bethune Jr. High PTSA will meet Tues., Dec. 9 at 7 p.m. A vocational education program will feature students from Bladensburg and Laurel senior high schools. Mary Bethune students will close the evening with a musical program.

Principal Thomas Myrick says parent volunteers are needed in many areas — drug committee, discipline committee, reading program, PTSA, clerical help in office, etc. Call the school if interested: 773-3206.

Note: We regret that the date published in last week's News Review was in error.

GREENBELT CONFUSED

VARYING PROPOSALS FOR TECH. CENTER LEAVE FDR FUTURE VAGUE

By Al and Elaine Skolnik

All Greenbelt 10th and 11th grade students (about 272) living within the corporate limits of the city will be attending the Franklin D. Roosevelt senior high school slated to open in September 1976 (with approximately 1,413 students) if staff recommendations are adopted. Twelfth graders will be allowed to remain in their present schools.

But no one at this juncture is taking bets on this. For there is a strong movement afoot on the Prince Georges County Board of Education to disregard the staff plan and to convert the new school on the Greenbriar tract to a technology center, in varying degrees of combination with a comprehensive (general academic) school.

Eny's Proposal

At the December 1 school board meeting, school board member Nicholas Eny introduced for first reading a substitute proposal for earlier proposals for utilizing the FDR school as a Career Technology Center. No less than half the capacity of the school would be for this, the balance to be utilized as a regular senior high school with academic-oriented programs. The board will be taking the proposal up for second reading on Thursday, December 18.

Eny told the News Review that his proposal would permit all Greenbelt students to attend FDR. However, the wording of the proposal is vague and states that there shall be no affixed pupil attendance areas and the center is to be open to all public school students on a "first come - first serve" basis. In another part the resolution states "that one-half of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Senior High School must not be used for the Career Technology Center and such space or spaces as may result from the removal of students residing in the Greenbelt area, as such pupils presently attend Parkdale Senior High School and are presumed, by this resolution, to be assigned to the Franklin D. Roosevelt Senior High School."

Eny's proposal also calls for the closing of Fairmont Heights as a senior high school offering regular academic and/or vocational programs and its reopening as a senior high school for music and the performing arts. Under his proposal, all 11th grade students attending Fairmont Heights would be transferred to FDR for their senior year. Eny's proposal also states that FDR and Fairmont high schools will be phased in as 4 year schools (grades 9 through 12).

Golato's Proposal

Board member A. James Golato is also favoring a scheme for a dual purpose FDR where half the student body would be enrolled in an academic high school, but he would have the other half as an advanced technical high school specializing in pre-college technical courses.

This concept, he told the News Review, would serve college-bound students in the field of science, electronics, and math. "Even if the student decides not to go to college," Golato said, "he will have learned something sufficiently to be prepared to work."

The advantage of this proposal, Golato said, is that it would satisfy Greenbelt's desire to have all its 272 10th and 11th grade students attending FDR together. At the same time, it would hopefully permit Bowie students to remain at Bowie high school.

At present Bowie senior high

GREENBELT SOCCER TEAMS

The Greenbelt 14 and under boys soccer team are winners of the Fourth Annual Beltsville Soccer Tournament which was held over the Thanksgiving weekend. The Greenbelt team defeated a strong Laurel team by the score of 3-1 to win the final round. Two other Greenbelt teams also participated, but were eliminated in the first round after a very good showing. The girls 12 and under team lost a close one to St. John's Athletic club in the final minutes, and the girls 16 and under team lost to a strong Annandale team.

In other soccer news, the Greenbelt 16 and under boys team opens its winter season Sun., Dec. 7, in a game with Olney at Takoma Park Junior High. Game time is 1 p.m.

school is almost 500 over its present capacity of 2,380. Under the staff plan (see article on page 8), the opening of FDR would relieve overcrowding at DuVal and Largo, thus permitting Bowie's overflow to be bused to these schools. Bowie residents have made clear that they would prefer to have their students remain in their overcrowded schools rather than accept the staff's recommendation that 333 students be transferred to DuVal and 230 to Largo.

Golato's thinking is that a magnet school such as FDR would draw on a voluntary basis 200 to 300 students from Bowie, thus permitting the remainder to stay at Bowie. It is doubtful that the Eny plan would achieve the same ends.

Objections

Other objections have also been voiced to Eny's proposal. School officials have pointed out that FDR had not been designed for such

FDR SPECIAL MEETING

Lesley Kreimer, Prince Georges County Board of Education board member, invites all Greenbelt residents to meet with her to discuss the new Franklin D. Roosevelt senior high school on Wednesday, December 10 at 8 p.m. at the Youth Center. "Input from Greenbelters and their involvement is vital at this stage of FDR's programming," she said.

specialized and distinctive programs as those envisioned by Eny. Additionally, gathering the necessary information for conversion, drawing up the required plans and applying for funding would require many months of preparation.

Eny contends that he doesn't expect that there would be any modifications needed to the structure, and that expenditures would be limited to such items as electrical fixtures. Eny told the News Review prior to Monday's board meeting that the career technology half of FDR would draw students from all parts of the county who would be taking courses in the construction trades, electronics, cosmetology, etc. All students, he said, would be taking basic academic courses.

Eny feels that the career technology school is justified "since 60% of the county's students do not attend college." He noted that the additional mileage youngsters would have to travel to FDR to participate in the special program was not an adverse factor, since students would be coming voluntarily. The matter of additional transportation costs remains unclear.

Public Hearings Delayed

Board member Lesley Kreimer felt that advanced technology courses would be a desirable component of FDR, which she views as a comprehensive school. FDR, she said, should also (1) offer programs that will utilize to the maximum the school's unique features, such as the full scale theatre-auditorium and (2) meet the interests of students in attendance. Mrs. Kreimer cautioned against any delays in the September opening of the school and incurring any additional cost for conversion of the \$11,653 750 school. She pointed out that availability of funds appears to be non-existent since the State drastically cut all recently approved construction and renovation projects.

She and board member Maureen Steinecke asked for public hearings to be set on the school boundary proposals, but the majority of the board decided to wait until their thinking had clarified on the use of the school as a technology center. Superintendent Carl Hassel had suggested hearings for December 10 and 11, but the dates were postponed indefinitely.

Our Readers Sound Off

Questions Elderly Housing, Fix-up GHI Units Instead

Please, let us not roll over and play dead on one of the most important issues and opportunities ever to confront the city. That issue is the proposed housing project for the elderly. While most of us fully support this noble venture, let us still look at the facts and most important the beautiful opportunity that is sliding unnoticed, down the drain.

First, a few facts . . . 1) The construction costs are not paid by some federal grant. While the federal government will pay rent supplements to those who qualify, the actual building cost will come from a state loan to the city of Greenbelt. The only way to guarantee that the taxpayer can be spared direct and indirect costs is for the city to form a Housing Authority. To say that the city manager and his staff can handle a loan which is twice the total annual budget of the city without any cost to the taxpayer is absurd because we pay the salaries of city management.

There is no knowledge on the part of HUD or state financing officials of the inclusion of replacement property in the construction loan. The replacement property is the property needed to replace the public property used for the proposed construction. Of course this cost can be included, and I hope it will be. Greenbelt taxpayers are looking at a bill of approximately \$100,000 otherwise.

3) The construction loan can be made directly to a private developer. For that matter the whole project can be handled within the private sector with council's approval. If the project were handled through the private sector, the property could go on the tax rolls. The private management team would be pretty much guaranteed a limited profit by HUD's rent supplement program. This idea of private enterprise is ill-fated from the start - it is too simple.

The beautiful opportunity which is sliding past us to oblivion is much more in keeping with preserving the character of the community. The opportunity we are missing is substantially rehabilitating one hundred depreciated GHI homes. There seems to be absolutely no reason why this state loan cannot be made as a rehabilitation loan rather than a new construction loan. HUD would give the same rent supplement guarantees as in the case of new construction. Surely there are enough elderly residents in the GHI cooperative to qualify for this program. HUD granted Greenbelt 100 units under its Fair Share Program. There are provisions under this program that a cooperative can qualify for these supplements if there is substantial rehabilitation. Even if \$30,000 were spent on each of the hundred units, the costs would still be cheaper than the proposed new legislation.

The impact on the Greenbelt community would be most pleasant if one hundred of the older frame homes were rehabilitated in the GHI sector. However, if council insists on construction of elevator buildings on Ridge road, at least a Greenbelt Housing Authority should be appointed to insulate the taxpayers from unpleasant management difficulties in the future.

Jack Queen

More on Elderly Housing

Methinks Mr. Madden hasn't done his homework. Has he read the data prepared and published by the city officials? This specifically states the project would be funded by a "low-interest State loan, made to the city of Greenbelt. No way is this a Federal project such as Attick Towers. When politicians say "this won't cost you a thing" it is like the doctor saying "this won't hurt a bit." OUCH!!

Mr. Cassels is not an elected official, but is certainly one of the group which has been pushing this sort of thing for almost 20 years. GHI members defeated it in, I believe 1962. He informs me the city will own and operate this proposed

facility, yet insists it is a Federal project. The two statements are not compatible. He also suggests GHI administer it, God Forbid.

College Park established a Public Housing Authority (PHA), whose salaries are paid from Federal funds. The Chairman of that PHA arranged for a professional survey, which indicated that over 900 residents said they had a NEED for such housing. These facts were presented to HUD, the project approved and the Federal Government purchased the land, constructed the complex (approx. 165 units), administers it and subsidizes the rents. Maximum income for residents, \$5,000 or less (single) \$6,500 or less (couple). They pay 25% of their income, priority is College Park residents, parents of residents, then residents of Greenbelt.

When we speak of the "City", that does not mean only 5 incumbent members of the council. The city consists of the residents of Boxwood, Greenbriar, Lakeside, Springhill Lake, GHI etc., etc. WE are the CITY! It is OUR parkland and up to us to decide on the use of that land and whether or not we want to be developers and landlords. The petition to referendum says only one thing — We, the residents of Greenbelt, are entitled to a voice in this matter regardless of whether we approve or disapprove of the manner in which it is being approached.

At least the petition requires signatures, which none of the questionnaires being quoted to justify a need had. The 375 questionnaires mailed by the city officials were not a survey, and did not require signatures. It was not to determine NEED. Herewith the question asked:

"If housing for the elderly were made available in Greenbelt would you: be willing to move from your present residence to such housing not willing to move? If not willing, why not?" That is solicitation, not survey.

I point out the statement about "WILLING TO" as opposed to "NEED." The statistics have absolutely no validity when presented as indication of need in this instance.

Viola L. Keer

Dissects Opposition

Up to now Mrs. Viola Keer has been the most outspoken opponent of the proposed senior citizen housing development in Greenbelt. In order to better understand her objections I had a long talk with her.

From this conversation, I understand she has three major concerns about the proposed development: 1. The "need" for such a development has not been proved, 2. Councilmen should not participate in deciding this question if they have relatives who might want to live in such a development, and 3. The question should be put to a vote of all Greenbelt citizens - not decided by the five councilmen. In this letter I should like to outline my thinking about her concerns.

1. Mrs. Keer believes the only senior citizens in Greenbelt who "need" such a development as is proposed are those who cannot afford to pay for the housing in which they are presently living. To me this is too narrow a definition of "need". I believe there are many Greenbelt senior citizens who are having to reduce the quantity and quality of their food, clothing, medical care and recreation that they should be getting because they are having to pay too much for their rent and utilities. They "need" the proposed development. It will help answer this "need" by providing their rent and utilities at a cost of 25% of their income after deduction of unusual medical expenses.

Furthermore, the new housing will better meet their other physical needs. It will have elevators (particularly for those who can't use stairs), skid-proof floors, hall rails, grab bars in the bath rooms, emergency signals in each apartment, and complete maintenance and repair service for buildings and grounds. It will also better

meet their social needs. Many of our elderly are quite isolated and lead very lonely lives. This development will bring them together where they can help each other and be helping themselves in the process.

2. The idea that councilmen should not decide this question if their relatives are interested in living in such a development just doesn't stand up to logical analysis. You could as easily say, since all our councilmen will eventually be senior citizens and eligible to live in such a development, that they should not participate in deciding the question.

But because councilmen decide city questions should they be barred from walking on city sidewalks, riding on city streets, using city recreation centers, swimming pool and parks, and not permitted to get help from the city police and sanitation workers? And similarly, should county councilman Francis White not be entitled to county water and sewer connections, to send his children to county schools, to make use of the county library, the county hospital and to seek help from the Fire and Rescue Squad?

My answer to these questions is that no legislator should participate in deciding a question in which he or she has a special interest. But if the interest is the same as any others in the class or group to be benefited, then he or she must participate in the decision.

3. Finally, the question of a referendum, under our city charter, if a city bond issue were involved and city taxes pledged to repay the bonds, then a referendum would be required. But this is not the case with the proposed senior citizen housing.

In the present proposal the city would obtain a loan from the State of Maryland and would mortgage the land and building as security for the loan. In addition, both the State and the city will have the added security of an annual contribution contract under which the Federal Government will agree to pay the city over the next forty years enough money to pay off the mortgage and pay all maintenance and operating costs that the residents cannot afford to pay.

Since all public costs involved will be paid by the Federal government, not the city government, no city referendum is called for. However, since the development will be owned by the city and the city council will have to establish policies and be responsible for its management, the city council should make the decision.

To help arrive at the best decision, the city council has held two public hearings, surveyed those who voted in the last city election, surveyed as many Greenbelt residents 62 years of age or older as they could contact, and now has a bill before it calling for action to go ahead with the development. When council finally votes, I'm sure there will have been ample citizen participation and that the results will be of great benefit to the city and all its citizens.

Jim Cassels

Suggests Concealment

The GHI board and management knowingly withheld the information that on Dec. 17, 1974, it became law to phaseout the rotary burners. We replaced 4 of our largest burners to atomizer burners for \$51,000. Admittedly there is a saving in oil, we were told.

Mr. Smith asked the members at the April 10, 1975 meeting to vote on a changeover from steam to hot water heat for the remaining frames (181) south of Northway.

If the members had been told of the Dec. 17, 1974 directive to phase out the rotary burners, and the cost about \$100,000, they definitely would NOT have voted for spending another \$100,000 for a questionable saving as there will be a definite increase from \$19 to \$48 per unit for electricity, and probably higher in the future.

The GHI board has already earmarked two bank notes costing over \$111,000 in 1975-1976 for five years at 9½% to pay for phasing

out the remaining rotary burners. This should be paid from the moratorium money NOT by a bank loan. It takes precedence over the steam to hot water changeover by law.

Directives do not come over night but are the result of lengthy deliberations at meetings, consultations, etc. with trade publications & County newspapers keeping the interested public informed.

Why did our board and management wait until April 23, 1975 for Mr. Koontz to give the news, public knowledge since Dec. 17, 1974?

Martha Hutzler

Thanks

We wish to thank all those who made our Bazaar a success: - those who so generously contributed their time and effort; those who donated the beautiful hand made articles, plants, and delicious baked goods, relishes and preserves, and all who attended and purchased these items. The 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday December 14 will be offered for the intentions of all - in gratitude.

St. Hughes Ladies of Charity

Rent Credits

Applications for Rent Credits to eligible Senior Citizens and persons permanently disabled may be submitted after December 5 according to Robert H. Oechsler, Chief, Treasury Division, Prince Georges County. The first application cannot be submitted until after December 5, 1975 and the second until after June 5, 1976.

All persons who received Rent Credit last year will automatically receive a simplified application for the current claim period.

(\$200 maximum)

A rent credit of 15% of rent and utilities paid during the period July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976 will be given to those persons who meet these requirements: have a lease; be a resident of Prince Georges County for one full calendar year (January-December); have been 65 years of age on or before July 1, 1975 or be permanently disabled and receiving disability benefits;

Persons permanently disabled and not receiving disability benefits may also be eligible if the disability is certified by their physician and, have a net income of less than \$7500 during calendar year 1974.

Applications and detailed instructions on eligibility have been distributed and are available at all county libraries or by calling 952-1052.

Recreation Review

Over The Hill League

Men, 30 and over, who are interested in playing basketball in an organized league are urged to sign up on Mon. eves. at either gym—Youth Center or SHL Center. The league will begin Mon., Jan. 5.

Thanksgiving Holiday Tournament Winners

The Rec. Dept. wishes to congratulate the Thanksgiving Turkey Shoot winners. Paul Vokaitis and Terry Accoo at the SHL Center and Claudia Waters and Doug Nagel at the Youth Center. Congratulations are also extended to the Youth Center Air Hockey Champs Paul Magee (9-10 yr.), Joel Birner (11-12 yr.) and David Craig (13-14yr.). Tournaments are being planned for the Christmas holidays and all interested teens and pre-teens are encouraged to participate.

Kava News

The Teen Club is making plans for the holiday season. The following events are planned: Sat., Dec. 6, ice skating at Bowie Ice Rink; Sat., Dec. 20, party with live band at Ridge Road Center; and Mon., Dec. 29, ski trip to Blue Knob. All events will be publicized in all centers. Call Kava Director Mike Lundregan 474-9554 for further details.

Family Roller Skating

Suns., from 1-5 p.m., at Center school is roller skating for the entire family. All members are encouraged to participate. People should bring their own rink skates or rent them at the center. A nominal fee is charged.

Men's "B" League Basketball

Information concerning the franchise basketball league is now available at the Youth Center. Brochures may be obtained and additional information received by calling the Rec. Dept. Mon. thru Fri., 9-5 p.m. 474-6878.

Youth Center and Springhill Lake Gym Schedules

Open gym - Fris. and Suns 7-11 p.m.; men's gym-Mon. 7-11 p.m.; women's gym - Weds. 7-11 p.m.; teen gym - Sats. 7-11 p.m. and Boys' and Girls' Club - Mon., Wed., Fri. 6-7 p.m., Tues., Thurs., 5-9 p.m. and Sat. - 9 - noon.



Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Karitas of 2-D Southway discuss with Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Director of Maintenance George Craft the adaptation of the solar energy system to their normally flat-roofed home for evaluation during the upcoming winter. The glass-covered solar energy collectors, which are mounted at pitched angles on the roof, house a network of small water pipes affixed to a metal heat absorber.

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AND
NASA'S GODDARD SPACE FLIGHT CENTER

LOCAL ARTIST EXHIBITS

Jacque Crabtree, local artist, will exhibit her latest works from December 7 to 24. "Organic Fantasies" will be on display at the Torpedo Factory Art Center, second floor, 101 North Union St., Alexandria, Va.

Aliment'ry, My Dear Watson

When a local resident refused to sign a traffic citation, Officer Paul Duprat advised him that failure to do so could result in his arrest. (Signing a citation is not an admission of guilt but a promise to appear in court.)

Upset, the resident began directing traffic, but after being cautioned by Officer Duprat, he signed the citation. However, he then threw the ticket into the street. Duprat requested that he retrieve the piece of paper or there could be another violation this one for littering. The man scooped up the ticket, rolled it into a ball, put it into his mouth, chewed vigorously, swallowed the contents, jumped into his car and took off.

There are two questions: How indigestible is a traffic citation? How will he remember when to appear in court?

SHL Brownie Meeting

There will be a meeting for all 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade girls and their parents who are interested in forming a Brownie Troop in Springhill Lake. This organizational meeting will be held in the Community Room (above the SHL Pharmacy) on Dec. 10 from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Parents must accompany their children.

Attention G.H.I. Members

4 br. townhouse - 2½ baths; full basement; central air cond.

For information call 474-4161 or 474-4244.

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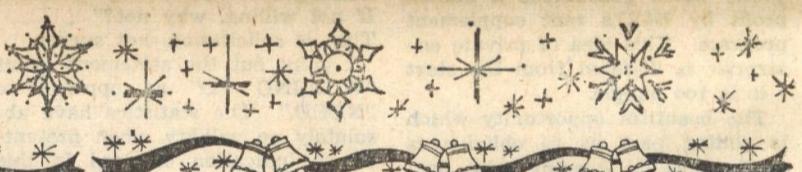
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Just in time for Christmas!! An excellent opportunity to give a gift of lasting value to a younger loved one.

Dec. 12, 7 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Dec. 13, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Dec. 14, 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.



4th Annual Festival of Lights

CHRISTMAS CRAFTS SHOW AND SALE

Full compliment of handicrafts, made by area craftsmen, will be on display and for sale for Christmas giving.

GREENS SHOW

The Goddard Garden Club presents their annual demonstrations of garden items, plants, dried weeds, wreaths, gifts, etc.

CHILDREN'S ROOM

This year, the Children's Room will be bigger and better with more space and crafts for children to make and buy. Santa will stop by for a brief visit on Saturday at 2 pm.

GREENBELT CONCERT BAND

The band will be joined by the combined choirs of St. Hugh's and Community Church for this year's Christmas Concert. An afternoon of music you will enjoy.

GREENBELT CHORAL ARTS SOCIETY and THE FORT MEADE MUSIC THEATER

Presenting a Christmas opera for the entire family, AMAHL AND THE NIGHT VISITORS. A holiday treat you won't want to miss.

CITY DECORATIONS

The evergreen tree, between the Municipal Building and the Bank, will be decorated and the city's wreath will be hung in the Municipal Building.

CAROLING

Stroll with us through the city and serenade the residents with Christmas carols. Afterwards, donuts and hot chocolate/coffee will be served.

SANTA'S ANNUAL VISIT AND TOY EXCHANGE

Bring the children down to talk with Santa and his helpers. Also, they may participate in the Toy Exchange. Bring a toy and take a toy, or bring a toy for the needy. Co-sponsored by the Greenbelt Department of Recreation.



**Before Harry Crayton
joined the
Payroll Savings Plan.**



**After Harry Crayton
joined the
Payroll Savings Plan.**



Can you tell the difference?

There isn't any. And that's the point.

Joining the Payroll Savings Plan is so easy and painless, you'll hardly notice you're saving.

All you do is sign up at work. Then an amount you specify is automatically set aside from your paycheck and used to buy U.S. Savings Bonds.

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Birthday greetings to David Barnes who celebrated his seventh birthday at a party on Dec. 3.

Greenbelter Trudy McDonnell was among the Canadian, American and Bahamian golfers competing in the recent Third Annual Bahamas South Ocean Pro-Am Tournament in Nassau.

Robin Bolita of Greenbelt was awarded a third place ribbon at the Intercollegiate Horse Showers Association Competition on Nov. 16 at New England College in Henniker, N.H. She attends Colby-Sawyer College in NH.

Robert A. Shifflett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norwood E. Shifflett, 32 E Ridge Road, has been promoted to sergeant in the U.S. Air Force. Sergeant Shifflett, an aircraft accessories repairman, is serving at Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz. He attended Parkdale High School.



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Staff Proposals on FDR

On November 26, the staff of the Prince Georges County Board of Education presented to the board its boundary proposals for the Franklin D Roosevelt senior high school. The staff is contemplating a comprehensive (general academic) school similar to Parkdale. This plan was tabled by the board on December 1 since several members of the board have proposed converting FDR to a technology center, (see accompanying story).

Under the staff plan, which includes all Greenbelt students, the opening enrollment in September 1976 would be 1,413 students, consisting of just 10th and 11th graders. (Twelfth graders will be allowed to graduate from their present schools.) The school has an ultimate capacity of 2,360, though the goal for all Prince Georges schools is to utilize only 90 percent of the pupil capacity. In the case of FDR, this capacity would total 2,125.

The 1,413 students attending FDR would come from the following areas:

	Former school
272 Greenbelt-Springhill Lake Apts (all)	Parkdale
221 Branchville-Hollywood	Parkdale
666 Area north of Capital Beltway, Glenarden Woods, etc.	DuVal
62 Dodge View & Bradley Hill Apts.	Fairmont Heights
46 Beltsville Farms-Sunnyside	High Point
146 Kentland-Columbia Park	Largo

As the result of these moves, overcrowding would be relieved at the above schools which in turn, according to the staff proposal, would relieve overcrowding at other schools, primarily Bowie. For example, the staff plan calls for 333 Bowie students to attend DuVal and 230 to attend Largo after the opening of FDR. The staff plan also calls for 65 Largo students to be shifted to DuVal and 178 to Parkdale. Bowie residents have been protesting this shift preferring students to remain at their overcrowded school.

As of 9/30/75, actual enrollment as compared to pupil capacity is as follows:

	Capacity	90% Util.	9/30/75 Enrollment
Bowie	2380	(2150)	2867
DuVal	1995	(1800)	2190
Fairmont Hts.	1305	(1175)	1329
High Point	2565	(2300)	2356
Largo	1795	(1625)	1818
Northwestern	2470	(2225)	2305
Parkdale	2365	(2125)	2479

Under the staff proposal, the attendance would look like this as of September 1976:

	Projected enrollment (if FDR is not opened)	Anticipated enrollment after opening	Anticipated % black
Bowie	2,950	2,387	12.1
DuVal	2,175	1,907	39.4
Fairmont Hts.	1,355	1,293	45.8
FDR	—	1,413	30.9
High Point	2,390	2,344	18.3
Largo	1,920	1,761	32.3
Northwestern	2,335	2,303	28.7
Parkdale	2,505	2,229	32.8

The staff feels that this boundary plan will achieve the following results:

- 1) Relieve over-crowded conditions in all affected schools and make the best utilization of available classroom space.
- 2) Eliminate the need for 20-25 temporary buildings.
- 3) Adhere to board policy regarding racial composition.
- 4) Cause the fewest number of students to be re-assigned to a different school.
- 5) Re-assign only those students presently being transported.
- 6) Provide stability for the areas re-assigned to another school.

Cub Scout Pack 202

The Nov. 3 Pack meeting of Cub Scout Troop 202 was highlighted by an award ceremony. Those receiving Bobcat pins in Den 1 were: Jimmy Naurot, William Neville, Kenneth McNamara, Mark Donovan, Eddy Belisle and Henry Fields. In Den II, Bobcat pins were given to Douglas McNamara, William Wimsatt, Harley Mann, James Lloyd, and Patrick Murray.

Cubs receiving the One Year Pin were Joe Malloy and Steve McLeary.

Weberlos receiving badges were Fred Cain, Traveler and Aquanaut; Fred Cook, Traveler; Patrick Taylor, Traveler and Aquanaut; Charles Hatcher, Traveler; Donald Oliverson, Traveler.

"Amahl" at Center School

"Amahl and the Night Visitors" will be performed Sun., Dec. 7 at 8 p.m. at Center School. The Greenbelt Choral Arts Society will be featured in the Ft. Meade Music Theatre production.

This modern popular opera, created for NBC TV, tells the story of "Amahl", a crippled shepherd boy, his mother, and his meeting and travels with the three Kings. The production is fully staged with singers, dancers, colorful costumes, lighting, scenery and special effects.

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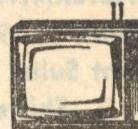
The Greenbelt Road - Kenilworth Ave. interchange has been named fourth in the priority schedule for highway construction established by the county council. Three projects involving Central Ave. received top priority.

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